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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF NOVEMBER 3, 2004

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully request a two month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action mailed on November 3, 2004. Accordingly, the time for response will be extended up to and including February 3, 2005. A check in the amount of \$450.00 is attached to cover the two-month extension of time fee. Applicants believe that no additional fee is required for the submission of this Response. However, in the event that the USPTO requires an additional fee to enter this Response or to maintain the present application pending, please charge such fee to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Office Action of November 3, 2004 required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of Groups I-VI, which are purportedly distinct inventions. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect the invention of Group IV, claims 30-48 (in part), with traverse.

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Furthermore, Applicants elect the species of compound where R is $C_{10}H_{21}$, Z is $-CH_{2}$, Y is $-NH_{2}$ and n is 2, the species of microbe directed to *Mycobacteria tuberculosis* and the species of animal directed to a human. Applicants moreover reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to non-elected subject matter.